Texaco Exploration and Production Inc. Attn: J. F. Smith, Jr. 935 Gravier St., Room 1944 New Orleans, Louisiana 70112

August 27, 2002

ChevronTexaco

Hon. James H. Welsh, Commissioner Department of Natural Resources Office of Conservation P. O. Box 94275 - Capitol Station Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

Dear Sir:

Chevron U.S.A. Inc. requests the calling of a public hearing, after due legal notice, to consider the following matters pertaining to numerous sands to be encountered by the drilling of the proposed Louisiana Fruit No. 1 Well, in the Venice Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

- 1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of all hydrocarbons from the sands defined below.
- 2. To establish single drilling and production units for all the sands defined below.
- To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts and mineral leases and other mineral interests within the units.
- 4. To designate Chevron U.S.A. Inc. as operator of the various units.
- 5. To designate Chevron's proposed Louisiana Fruit Well No. 1 as the unit well for all the units formed.
- 6. To provide that any future replacement and/or alternate wells for said units shall be exempt from the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
- 7. To provide for future reclassification of the reservoirs without the necessity of a public hearing if such reclassification becomes necessary due to a change in production characteristics.
- 8. To consider such other matters as the Commissioner may deem pertinent.

The M-17 Sand, Reservoir A, in Venice Field is hereby defined as being that sand encountered between the electric log depths of 10,415 feet and 10,475 feet in the General American Oil Company - Buras Levee District Well No. 1, located in Section 5, Township 22 South, Range 30 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

The B-98 Sand, Reservoir A, in Venice Field is hereby defined as being that sand encountered between the electric log depths of 10,585 feet and 10,635 feet in the General American Oil Company - Buras Levee District Well No. 1, located in Section 5, Township 22 South, Range 30 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

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The M-18 Sand, Reservoir A, in Venice Field is hereby defined as being that sand encountered between the electric log depths of 10,750 feet and 10,820 feet in the General American Oil Company - Buras Levee District Well No. 1, located in Section 5, Township 22 South, Range 30 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

The D-6 Sand, Reservoir A, in Venice Field is hereby defined as being that sand encountered between the electric log depths of 10,900 feet and 11,055 feet in the General American Oil Company - Buras Levee District Well No. 1, located in Section 5, Township 22 South, Range 30 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

The B-53 Sand, Reservoir A, in Venice Field is hereby defined as being that sand encountered between the electric log depths of 11,095 feet and 11,210 feet in the General American Oil Company - Buras Levee District Well No. 1, located in Section 5, Township 22 South, Range 30 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

The B-22 Sand, Reservoir A, in Venice Field is hereby defined as being that sand encountered between the electric log depths of 11,230 feet and 11,290 feet in the General American Oil Company - Buras Levee District Well No. 1, located in Section 5, Township 22 South, Range 30 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

The B-7 Sand, Reservoir A, in Venice Field is hereby defined as being that sand encountered between the electric log depths of 11,380 feet and 11,490 feet in the General American Oil Company - Buras Levee District Well No. 1, located in Section 5, Township 22 South, Range 30 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

The C-4 Sand, Reservoir A, in Venice Field is hereby defined as being that sand encountered between the electric log depths of 11,750 feet and 11,785 feet in the General American Oil Company - Buras Levee District Well No. 1, located in Section 5, Township 22 South, Range 30 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

The C-2 Sand, Reservoir A, in Venice Field is hereby defined as being that sand encountered between the electric log depths of 11,790 feet and 11,880 feet in the General American Oil Company - Buras Levee District Well No. 1, located in Section 5, Township 22 South, Range 30 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

Chevron will provide for the advertisement of the legal notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the vicinity of the Venice Field, and also will post the legal notices and unit plats in a prominent place in the area of the field. Chevron will also mail a copy of said legal notices and unit plats to Interested Owners, Represented Parties and to Interested Parties.

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Attached are (1) a copy of the unit plats, (2) a list of Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties, and (3) our check in the amount of \$6300.00 to cover the application fees.

A copy of this application, plats and list attached, is being sent to Mr. Richard D. Hudson, District Manager, Lafayette, Louisiana. A copy of this application and plat are also being sent to each Interested Owner, Represented Party, and Interested Party after a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

The pre-application conference was not held since Chevron did not receive a request to confer.

All pertinent data relating to this notice can be obtained, at the cost of the requesting party, by contacting the undersigned at Texaco Exploration and Production Inc., 935 Gravier St., Room 1944, New Orleans, Louisiana 70112, telephone number (504) 592-6710.

Yours truly,

oseph F. Smith, Jr.

Unitization Coordinator

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Attachments

cc: Mr. Richard D. Hudson, District Manager Department of Natural Resources Office of Conservation Lafayette, Louisiana

Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties

















